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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

- Applicants: Philippe Msika
Entitled: COSMETIC METHOD FOR PREVENTING AND/OR
TREATING SKIN STRETCHMARKS, AND USE IN
DERMATOLOGY
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application, Applicant's respectfully requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c) (3), please substitute for pending claims 3-5, 7-10, and 12-15 with the following clean version of the claims. The changes to these claims are shown explicitly in the attached "Marked Up Version of Claims."

3. (Amended) Cosmetic prevention and/or treatment method according to Claim 1, characterized in that the anti-stretchmark agent is chosen from the group consisting of the soya peptide Phytokine® and the tripeptide Kollaren-CPP®, and mixtures of these peptides.

4. (Amended) Cosmetic prevention and/or treatment method according to Claim 1, characterized in that the proportion of anti-stretchmark agent is between about 0.1% and about 10% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.